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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used) Dwpi: E02F, F16F, E21B, E21C, A01B, A01C with keywords (pend+, damp+, swing+, oscill+, resist+, imped+, equal+, hinder+)																						
C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT																						
Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.																				
X,P	WO 2003/095750 A1 (WRIGHT) 20 November 2003 The whole document	1-7																				
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X	US 4735158 A (PAUL et al) 5 April 1988 The whole document	1-7

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PCT/AU2004/001463**Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)**

This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. Claims Nos :

because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

2. Claims Nos :

because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:

3. Claims Nos :

because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a)

Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. Claims 1-7 are directed to a support structure for a tool. It is considered that "the self monitoring and operating dampening means for controlling the pendulation of the tool on the pendulum pivot with respect to the boom or arm" comprises a first "special technical feature".

2. Claim 8 is directed to a method of dampening. It is considered that the step of adapting the rotary hydraulic actuator to provide varying rotary resistance comprises a second special technical feature.

1. As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims
2. As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:

4. No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.: 1-7

Remark on Protest

The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.

No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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Information on patent family members

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Patent Document Cited in Search Report			Patent Family Member			
WO 03095750						
WO 02072964	BR	0208483	EP	1387908	US	2003183400
US 5507354						
WO 0053522	AU	36893/00	CA	2366291	EP	1175368
	SE	9900836				
US 4342270	CA	1151953	FI	810488	SE	8004686
US 4273056	CA	1108016	DE	2919962	FI	791544
	SE	7805797				

Due to data integration issues this family listing may not include 10 digit Australian applications filed since May 2001.

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